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Applicants : Thomas Hille and Lothar Deurer  
Serial No. : 09/486,266 Confirmation No.: 3529  
Filing Date : May 3, 2000  
Title : TRANSDERMAL THERAPEUTIC SYSTEM COMPRISING A  
RESERVOIR-TYPE PRESSURE-SENSITIVE ADHESIVE LAYER  
AND A BACK LAYER WITH UNI-DIRECTIONAL RESILIENCE  
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Washington, DC 20231

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 23, 2002 please amend the above-identified application without prejudice as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

~~22. (Twice Amended) A transdermal therapeutic system comprising a detachable protective layer; a pressure-sensitive adhesive reservoir layer; and a backing layer comprising a unidirectional elastic material having an elasticity of at least 20%, wherein the material is selected from the group consisting of a woven fabric and a nonwoven fabric.~~

202 65. (Twice Amended) The transdermal therapeutic system of claim 22 wherein the fabric comprises

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pores having a size less than or equal to  $400 \mu\text{m}^2$  embracing an areal proportion of between 10% and 50% of said fabric.

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